



PATENT APPLICATION
Docket No: 6922.34

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of	C. Bret Elzinga et al.)
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Filed:	July 31, 2003)
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For:	SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PROVIDING)
	A DYNAMIC CONTINUAL IMPROVEMENT)
	EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT)

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please find, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(1), the enclosed Form PTO-1449 which contains a list of all patents, publications, or other items that have come to the attention of one or more of the individuals designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c). While no representation is made that any of these references may be "prior art" within the meaning of that term under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 or 103, the enclosed list of references is disclosed so as to fully comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

Moreover, while no representation is made that a specific search of office files or patent office records has been conducted or that no better art exists, the undersigned attorney of record believes that the enclosed art is the closest to the claimed invention (taken in its entirety) of which

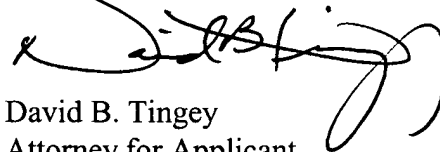
the undersigned is presently aware, and no art which is closer to the claimed invention (taken in its entirety) has been knowingly withheld.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, a copy of each of the listed references or relevant portion thereof is also enclosed.

Please credit any over payment or charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 500843 of the undersigned.

Dated this 13th day of October, 2003.

~~Respectfully submitted,~~

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 is an Information Disclosure Statement. Enclosed also are the following designated documents, as required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98:

- X Form PTO-1449 list of one (1) reference submitted for consideration.
- X Legible copies of the listed references or their relevant portions.
- All English translations of each nonenglish reference, if any, within the possession, custody, control or availability of anyone designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) (see 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(c)).

The following are included within the Information Disclosure Statement if applicable and as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98:

- Concise explanation of relevance of each reference not in English and unaccompanied by an English translation.

___ Statement that certain listed references not enclosed are substantially cumulative of an enclosed reference.

___ Statement that certain listed references not enclosed were previously cited by or submitted to the Office in the identified prior application which is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

In order to secure consideration of the items designated above, one or more of the following, if required, is also enclosed:

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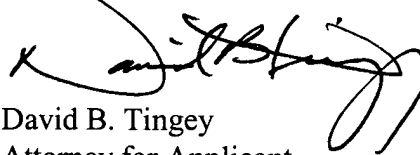
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<u>Examiner Initial*</u>	<u>Document Number</u>	<u>Issue/Publ. Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Sub Class</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
_____	A1.	6,077,085	06/20/00	Parry et al.	434 322	05/19/98
_____	A2.	5,957,667	09/28/99	Parikh et al.	417 362	06/14/96
_____	A3.	5,797,754	08/25/98	Griswold et al.	434 322	01/09/97
_____	A4.	5,788,508	08/04/98	Lee et al.	434 350	06/07/95
_____	A5.	5,597,312	01/28/97	Bloom et al.	434 362	05/04/94
_____	A6.	5,503,560	04/02/96	Stentiford	434 167	07/25/89
_____	A7.	5,486,111	01/23/96	Watkins	434 157	01/04/94
_____	A8.	5,442,782	08/15/95	Malatesta et al.	395 600	08/13/93
_____	A9.	5,441,415	08/15/95	Lee et al.	434 350	12/06/93
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_____	A11.	5,387,104	02/07/95	Corder	434 156	02/07/94
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_____	A15.	5,302,132	04/12/94	Corder	434 156	04/01/92
_____	A16.	4,637,797	01/20/87	Whitney et al.	434 118	01/11/85

Prior Art Cited by Applicants

While the filing of prior art statements is voluntary, the procedure is governed by the guidelines of Section 609 of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. To be considered a proper prior art statement, Form PTO-1449 shall be accompanied by an explanation of relevance of each listed item, a copy of each listed patent or publication or other item of information and a translation of the pertinent portions of foreign documents (if an existing translation is readily available to the applicant), and should be submitted in a timely manner as set out in MPEP Sec. 609.

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Examiners will consider all prior art citations submitted in conformance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 and MPEP Sec. 609 and place their initials adjacent the citations in the spaces provided on this form. Examiners will also initial citations not in conformance with the guidelines which may have been considered. A reference may be considered by the Examiner for any reason whether or not the citation is in full conformance with the guidelines. A line will be drawn through a citation if it is not in conformance with the guidelines AND has not been considered. A copy of the submitted form, as reviewed by the Examiner, will be returned to the applicant with the next communication. The original of the form will be entered into the application file.

Each citation initialed by the Examiner will be printed on the issued patent in the same manner as prior art cited by the Examiner on Form PTO-892.

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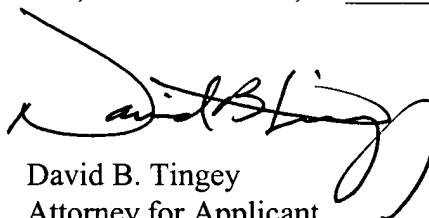
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CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8

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